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## REPORT

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Subject antecedents of A.C. Williams, Russian.

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Alexander Charles WILLIAMS, Russian, born on June 5, 1899 at Tiflis, Caucasus, Russia. He is reported to have attended a military school for officers during the Great War and later to have served in the ranks of one of the "White" armies. Following the conclusion of the civil war in Russia he made his way to Poland where he resided until about eight years ago, after which he came to the Far East to join his mother and younger brother.

In Shanghai he was employed in the Radio Service Department of the American Engineering Corporation, 309 Sub-  
pling Well Road, from 1934 to 1936. Some time in 1937 he  
established his own business known as Williams' Radio En-  
gineering Co., 301 Sub-pling Well Road, which he is still  
conducting. He resides at the same address. His brother,  
Boris Charles Williams, 30 is reported to have graduated  
from the Harbin Polytechnic Institute (Electrical Engi-  
neering Department) and to have been employed for a short  
period with the Shanghai Telephone Co., and from 28-10-36  
to 31-5-37 - with the Shanghai Power Co. It appears that  
at present he assists his brother in business.

their parents were divorced many years ago, following which their mother (maiden name L. I. Jorchenko) married on U.S. Marge, an officer of the Russian army. General Marge, who at one time was Ataman Semenov's Chief of Staff, later served as an adviser to the late Marshal Chang Tso Ling and from 1922 to 1932 resided at Mukden where, inter alia he was engaged in journalistic activities. In December, 1937 he disappeared under mysterious

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circumstances. Rumours have it that he was arrested by the Japanese in Tientsin on charges of espionage and was subsequently executed.

Enquiries have failed to reveal any information which could reflect unfavourably on the reputation of A.C. Williams or his brother.

While in Shanghai they did not come to Police notice.

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